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## RESPONSE TO REQUEST

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Dear Sir:

In response to your request of June 21, 2004 to provide a copy of Claim 53 in the above-identified patent application which is alleged to have not been previously of original application, which pages include Claim 53.

Applicant's counsel submits that the application as filed contained two hundred (200) pages, i.e., one hundred and fifty-four (154) pages of specification, fifty-five (55) pages of claims (1-79) and one (1) page containing the abstract. Along with the specification, Applicant's counsel submits that in addition to the specification, the application contained twenty-eight (28) sheets of drawings, i.e., and Japanese Priority Document Nos. P2000-069890; P2000-070544; P2000-070545; P2000-071103 and P2000-070543.

Applicant's counsel also submits a copy of the transmittal sheet and a copy of the return receipt postcard evidencing receipt by the U.S. Patent of the above-identified application documents. Also submitted is a copy of the official filing receipt, which acknowledges receipt of "Tot Claims" - 79".

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distributing a profit to said content providing user device based on said profit distribution information, said clearing center creates an issue log which reflects the electronic money balance and sends said issue log to said content providing user device.

53. A content secondary distribution settlement method for performing settlement processing for secondary distribution of content in which the content usable by a user device is distributed between user devices, wherein the content to be distributed between the user devices is formed in a secure container which stores a content price and information of a usage control policy including profit distribution information, said profit distribution information including information of a profit to a content provider, said content secondary distribution settlement method comprising the steps of:

transferring by a content providing user device, which has provided the content to another user device, the profit distribution information to one of a service provider and a clearing center, both of which manage settlement processing for electronic money; and

performing by said one of a service provider and a clearing center the settlement processing for the profits to a user of said content providing user device and to the

content provider which has provided the content to the user based on said profit distribution information received from said content providing user device.

- 54. A content secondary distribution settlement method according to claim 53, wherein said profit distribution information includes information of profit distribution to the user of said content providing user device, and to at least one of a content creator, a content distributor, and a content usage fee settlement institution.
- 55. A content secondary distribution settlement method according to claim 53, wherein:

a content receiving user device which receives the content from said content providing user device deducts the content price described in said secure container received from said content providing user device from an electronic money balance of said content receiving user device, and said content receiving user device creates a usage log including a content identifier and said profit distribution information and sends said usage log to said content providing user device;

said content providing user device creates a receive log including the content identifier and said profit distribution information based on said usage log received

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